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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2006 ("Action").

Applicants respectfully request consideration in view of the following remarks and amended claims.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper

Remarks begin on page 19 of this paper.